

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (Original) Semi crystalline, melt processible, partially aromatic copolyamides, producible by condensation of at least the following monomers or precondensates thereof:
 - a) terephthalic acid
 - b) at least one dimerised fatty acid with up to 44 carbon atoms and
 - c) at least one aliphatic diamine of the formula $\text{H}_2\text{N}-(\text{CH}_2)_x-\text{NH}_2$, wherein x means a whole number from 4-18.
2. (Currently Amended) Copolyamides according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the melting point of these copolyamides, measured by means of DSC (Differential Scanning Calorimetry), is at most 335°C.
3. (Currently Amended) Copolyamides according to claim 1 ~~or 2~~, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein a further aromatic dicarboxylic acid d) with 8-12 C atoms is present.
4. (Currently Amended) Copolyamides according to ~~one of the claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein in addition an aliphatic dicarboxylic acid e) with 6-18 C atoms is present.
5. (Currently Amended) Copolyamides according to ~~one of the claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein in addition a lactam and/or an aminocarboxylic acid with 6-12 C atoms, preferable ω -aminolauric acid, are present as further monomers f).
6. (Currently Amended) Copolyamides according to ~~one of the claims 1 to 5~~ claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the aromatic dicarboxylic acid d) is isophthalic acid.
7. (Currently Amended) Copolyamides according to ~~one of the claims 1 to 6~~ claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the aliphatic dicarboxylic acid e) is adipic acid.

8. (Currently Amended) Copolyamides according to ~~one of the claims 1 to 7~~ claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~, wherein in addition to the monomers a), b) and c) wherein $x = 6$, isophthalic acid d) is present and the melting point of these copolyamides, measured by means of DSC, is at least 290°C.

9. (Currently Amended) Copolyamides according to ~~one of the claims 1 to 7~~ claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~, wherein in addition to the monomers a), b) and c) wherein $x = 6$, adipic acid e) is present and the melting point of these copolymers, measured by means of DSC, is at least 270°C.

10. (Currently Amended) Copolyamides according to ~~one of the claims 1 to 7~~ claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~, wherein in addition to the monomers a), b) and c) wherein $x = 6$, isophthalic acid d) and adipic acid e) is present and the melting point of these copolyamides, measured by means of DSC, is at least 265°C.

11. (Currently Amended) Copolyamides according to ~~one of the claims 1 to 7~~ claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~, wherein in addition to the monomers a), b) and c) wherein $x = 6$, laurilactam (f) or ω -aminododecanoic acid (f) is present and the melting point of these copolyamides, measured by means of DSC, is at least 255°C.

12. (Currently Amended) Copolyamides according to ~~one of the claims 1 and 3 to 7~~ claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein $x = 9, 10$ or 12.

13. (Currently Amended) Copolyamides according to claim 12, ~~characterised in that~~, wherein in addition to the components a), b) and c), adipic acid (e) is present.

14. (Currently Amended) Use of the copolyamides according to ~~one of the claims 1 to 13~~ claim 1, for the production of moulded articles by means of melt processing methods.

15. (Original) Use of the copolyamides according to claim 14, hard-soft combinations being produced as moulded articles.

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16. (Currently Amended) Use of the copolyamides according to claim 14 ~~or 15~~, the processing method being selected from extrusion, injection moulding, coextrusion, blow moulding, deep drawing, sequential coextrusion, sequential extrusion blow moulding, 3D blow moulding, coextrusion blow moulding, coextrusion 3D blow moulding and coextrusion suction blow moulding.

17. (Currently Amended) Moulded article produced from or with copolyamides according to ~~one of the claims 1 to 13~~ claim 1.

18. (Currently Amended) Moulded article according to claim 17, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein it is a hard-soft combination.